

REMARKS

The amendments to claims 75 and 77 reflect the telephonic interview between Examiner Steele and the undersigned on October 8 regarding amendments that would place the claims in condition for allowance. The presentation of new claims 126 and 127 was discussed in a further telephonic interview on October 15, 2009. The claim amendments set forth above are made solely to further the case towards allowance and do not represent an admission that the claims prior to amendment were unpatentable. Applicant specifically reserves the right to add claims corresponding to claims 75 and 77 prior to amendment in one or more continuation and/or divisional applications. The amendments to claims 75 and 77 are supported by Tables 3-4, which show seven amino acids, for example DYCDIEF. New claims 126 and 127 are supported by the Examples, *inter alia*.

Withdrawal of Restriction

Applicant respectfully requests that, upon an indication of allowance of claims 71-74 and 85-88, the restriction requirement set forth in the April 6, 2009, office action, be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution of the application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-2283. **This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).**

Respectfully submitted,

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